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PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.48(a)

For: LAUNDRY DETERGENT COMPACT WHICH DISINTEGRATES IN LIQUIDS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Notification of Defective Response dated February 7, 2000, applicants submit the following explanation under 37 CFR §1.48(a).

The Declaration filed December 15, 2000 in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements in the present application included inventors not listed in the priority application PCT/DE98/00589. The inventors listed on the Declaration in the present 05/10/2000 pyolapplication appropriect. The omission of my name as an inventor on the PCT application 02 FC:122 was an error without ally deceptive intention on my part.

> I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

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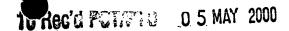
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